

*Fall  
Specials  
1959*



**SPRINGTIME**

As gay as spring itself, about 24 inches tall. The center of the petals are creamy white, bordered cherry-rose.

- 3 for 60c
- 12 for \$1.95
- 100 for \$14.00

*Nelis*  
**NURSERIES, Inc.**  
Holland, Michigan



*Nelis*

**Selected**

**ENJOY  
THE  
FINEST!**



**Sweet  
Harmony**

**SWEET HARMONY**

28 in. Delicate yellow, white edge.

**3 for 75c    12 for \$2.25**

**\$16.00 per 100**

**Holland's Glory**



**HOLLAND'S  
GLORY**

The finest and strongest of the early blooming reds, offered for the first time in our catalog. This variety reached a price of **\$400.00 per bulb** among growers in Europe some years ago!

Now Only  
**\$2.25 for 6**

**\$4.00**

**per dozen**



# TULIPS

## GREENLAND →

26 in. Unusual soft rose and green.

3 for \$1.25 12 for \$4.00



## Other OUTSTANDING TULIPS of Merit

	3	12	100
<b>BLIZZARD.</b> 27 in. Outstanding large pure white . . . . .	\$0.90	\$3.00	\$22.00
<b>EDNA BELSINGER.</b> 26 in. Blend of peach, orange and chartreuse-yellow . . . . .	.75	2.40	17.50
<b>FIRST LADY.</b> 28 in. Showy reddish violet, flushed purple . . . . .	.75	2.40	17.50
<b>GOLDEN MEASURE.</b> 28 in. Finest fragrant yellow Tulip . . . . .	.75	2.40	17.50
<b>GUDOSHNIK.</b> 24 in. Cream sprayed scarlet . . . . .	.85	2.75	20.00
<b>HALCRO.</b> 30 in. Giant carmine-red. The red Mrs. Scheepers . . . . .	.75	2.40	17.50
<b>IVORY GLORY.</b> 28 in. Beautiful amber-white . . . . .	.70	2.35	16.50
<b>KATHERINE CHEFF.</b> 25 in. Vivid scarlet. Nelis introduction . . . . .	.75	2.40	17.50
<b>QUEEN OF THE BARTIGONS.</b> 28 in. Award winning shell-pink . . . . .	.75	2.25	16.00

## Newest Giant Fringed Tulips

**Amy.** Two-tone lilac.

**Anaconda.** Amber and mauve.

**Blue Heron.** Lilac-blue.

**Burns.** Rosy red.

**Maja.** Lemon-yellow.

**Swan Wings.** White.

**Triton.** Rose.

The above must be ordered before  
July 15th to insure fall delivery.  
Stock is still very scarce.

All **3 for \$3.75**  
Priced: **\$1.35 Each**

## BURGUNDY LACE

Height nearly 30 inches. A giant fringed Tulip, with  
fringes nearly ½ in. long. The forerunner of a new race,  
extremely beautiful, the fringed edge giving the appear-  
ance of icicles on the petals.

**3 for \$1.75**



Burgundy  
Lace





Uncle  
Tom

# Nelis

## Exceptional

## Show Garden

# TULIPS

	3	12	100
<b>DOUBLE FANTASY.</b> Unusual, double, ruffled, pink Parrot Tulip ..	\$0.60	\$2.00	\$15.00
<b>IDA VAN ZANTEN.</b> Large, double, golden yellow .....	.75	2.40	17.50
<b>JUDY.</b> A fine new double, white with scarlet edges .....	.75	2.40	17.50
<b>LAVENDER PERFECTION.</b> Best double lavender .....	.60	2.00	14.00
<b>SNOWBALL.</b> Beautiful all white double .....	.60	2.00	14.00
<b>STAR OF ORANGE.</b> Delicate soft orange double .....	.75	2.40	17.50
<b>SYMPHONIA.</b> Fragrant American-Beauty-red double .....	.60	2.00	14.00
<b>UNCLE TOM.</b> Extra double, velvety maroon ..	.60	2.00	14.00
<b>VALONA.</b> Immense scarlet, edged rose; fragrant, double .....	.75	2.40	17.50



Symphonia



Judy





Black  
Parrot  
Tulip

## NOVEL NELIS SPECIALTY!

### Mixed Rembrandt Tulips

*Pictured Below*

Striped and feathered; white, lavender, red, yellow and other hues. They blend in perfect harmony, ideal for cutting. Our own fine mixture.

\$1.95 per doz.; \$3.65 per 25

## Exotic Parrot Tulips

**Huge Flowers Ruffled and Fringed—for a Glamorous Garden and Artistic Arrangements**

	3	12	100
<b>BLACK PARROT.</b> 24 in. The darkest in this class . . . . .	\$0.60	\$1.90	\$14.00
<b>BLUE PARROT.</b> 25 in. The nearest approach to blue in a Tulip . . .	.55	1.75	12.00
<b>FARADAY.</b> 22 in. Unusual combination of pink and green on white .60	1.95	14.50	
<b>FIREBIRD.</b> 22 in. Clear vivid scarlet . . . . .	.55	1.75	12.00
<b>ORANGE PARROT.</b> 22 in. Colorful and fragrant . . . . .	.55	1.75	12.00
<b>PINK PARROT.</b> 22 in. Large, beautiful pink . . . . .	.60	1.95	14.00
<b>TEXAS GOLD.</b> 24 in. Yellow, tiny edge of red on petals . . . . .	.55	1.75	12.00
<b>IVORY PARROT.</b> 22 in. Outstanding new white. Scarce . .	Each 60c	1.75	



Pink Parrot Tulip



Rembrandt Tulips





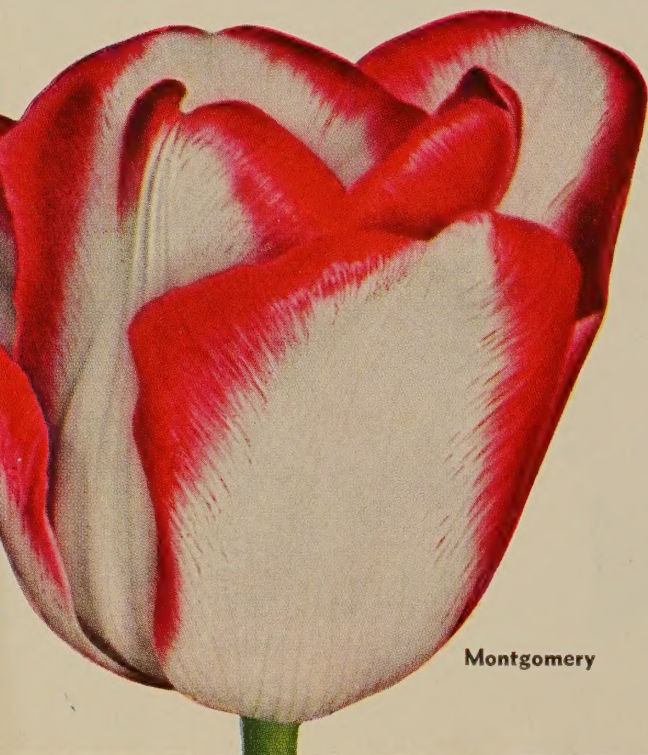
American Flag

# Nelis

## Selected

# TULIPS

	3	12	100
<b>AMERICAN FLAG.</b> 26 in. Dark red with broad white lines, blue base	\$0.55	\$1.75	\$12.00
<b>BACCHUS.</b> 32 in. Dark plum color; large, egg-shaped flower . . . . .	.60	1.90	13.50
<b>DORRIE OVERALL.</b> 34 in. Petunia-purple with lighter edge. Inside tinted light blue . . . . .	.55	1.75	12.00
<b>MAGICIAN.</b> 30 in. White with a purple edge . . . . .	.65	1.95	14.00
<b>MARGEAUX.</b> 30 in. Wine-red, almost dubonnet. Unusual . . . . .	.60	1.90	13.50
<b>MARIE NICHOLSON.</b> 29 in. Rosy red with a glossy sheen . . . . .	.65	1.95	14.00
<b>MARSHALL HAIG.</b> 27 in. Brilliant crimson, yellow base . . . . .	.60	1.90	13.50
<b>MONTGOMERY.</b> 26 in. White with clearly marked red edge . . . . .	.65	1.95	14.00
<b>MOROCCO BEAUTY.</b> 27 in. Coffee-brown shaded maroon . . . . .	.65	1.95	14.00
<b>MRS. J. T. SCHEEPERS.</b> 24 in. Large bright yellow . . . . .	.60	1.90	13.50
<b>RIANTE.</b> 32 in. Beautiful, tallest red . . . . .	.80	2.50	
<b>SCARLETT O'HARA.</b> 30 in. Outstanding fine red . . . . .	.60	1.90	13.50



Montgomery



Magician





Morocco  
Beauty

Excitingly  
Different

# Lily-Flowered TULIPS

	3	12	100
<b>ALADDIN.</b> 26 in. Dark maroon-red, narrow white edge . . . . .	\$0.60	\$1.90	\$14.00
<b>BEVERLY.</b> 25 in. Brilliant orange with white base . . . . .	.55	1.75	12.00
<b>DYANITO.</b> 20 in. Graceful bright red . . . . .	.60	1.90	14.00
<b>LILAC TIME.</b> 27 in. Lovely deep purple . . . . .	.55	1.75	12.00
<b>MARIETTE.</b> 27 in. Large, deep rose . . . . .	.55	1.75	12.00
<b>MAYTIME.</b> 24 in. Bluish purple, narrow white edge . . . . .	.60	1.75	12.00
<b>QUEEN OF SHEBA.</b> 20 in. Large orange-red, yellow edge . . . . .	.75	2.50	
<b>ROYAL BABY.</b> 28 in. Cream, broad edge of rosy red . . . . .	.75	2.50	
<b>WEST POINT.</b> 26 in. Deep golden yellow . . . . .	.60	1.90	14.00
<b>WHITE TRIUMPHATOR.</b> 24 in. Pure white . . . . .	.55	1.75	12.00



Queen of Sheba



Maytime





## Brilliant PEACOCK TULIPS

These gay and colorful Tulips are very early, blooming in April at our nurseries. Opening up wide, they show their vari-colored centers in a large variety of designs. Mixed only.

6 for \$1.50 12 for \$2.50 25 for \$4.50

## DOUBLE EARLY TULIPS

### IN MIXTURE

A mixture identically as pictured, sensational at our Tulip Display, their vivid jewel-tones providing a mass of color. About 10 in. tall.

\$1.75 per doz. \$12.00 per 100



Biflora Alta



Humilis

## BOTANICAL (Wild) TULIPS

Unusually lovely and odd shapes and colors, plant for permanence in groups of 6 or 12.

	6	12
<b>BIFLORA ALTA.</b> 10 in. Prolific bloomer, producing up to 10 flowers from a single bulb	\$1.00	\$1.75
<b>CHRYSANTHA.</b> 8 in. Smallest species, yellow with rose		1.25
<b>CLUSIANA.</b> (Little Lady Tulip.) 7 in. Cherry-red with white	1.00	1.95
<b>CORNUTA STENOPETALA.</b> 15 in. Long, narrow and twisted petals of scarlet and gold	1.35	2.50
<b>DASYSTEMON.</b> 6 in. Each bulb produces 3 to 6 star-like yellow flowers	1.45	2.75
<b>HUMILIS.</b> Very new and scarce multi-flowering rose-pink	Each 60c	
<b>LINIFOLIA.</b> Exquisite. Light vermilion-red. Scarce	1.85	3.50
<b>MARJOLETTI.</b> 14 in. Soft primrose, carmine border	.75	1.35



## PRAESTANS FUSILIER

14 in. Early red, 3 to 4 blooms per bulb.

6 for \$1.75 12 for \$3.25

## Nelis Famous "RAINBOW TULIPS" - A Dazzling Array!

Over 300 varieties in this mixture—available in two sizes.

### Blooming Size Bulbs

3 3/4 in. in circumference

50 for ..... \$ 3.50

100 for ..... 6.50

250 for ..... 16.50

1000 for ..... 60.00

### Top Size Bulbs

4 to 5 in. in circumference

25 for ..... \$ 3.00

50 for ..... 5.25

100 for ..... 9.50

250 for ..... 23.00











# Nelis Choice

## Bursting



## Fragrant DUTCH HYACINTHS

Perfect for Beds and Borders  
Exhibition Size Bulbs

Red	Dark Blue	3 each of 6 colors, labeled	.....\$ 4.75
Light	White	6 each of 6 colors, labeled	..... 9.50
Blue		12 each of 6 colors, labeled	..... 18.00
Rose	Yellow	25 each of 6 colors, labeled	..... 35.00

Bedding Size Hyacinths (slightly smaller)

Mixed only: \$2.35 per doz. \$16.50 per 100

## MUSCARI

(Grape Hyacinth)

Ideal for Naturalizing and Cut Flowers  
HEAVENLY BLUE. 60c per doz.; \$4.00 per 100.

AZUREUM ALBUM. (White.) 85c per doz.; \$6.50 per 100.

PLUME HYACINTHS. (Feathery purple.) 85c per doz.; \$6.50 per 100.



## ← ENGLISH IRIS

Magnificent mixture of choicest varieties. Bloom here in early July. As cut flowers they are unsurpassed.

Mixed Only:

\$1.75 per doz. \$12.00 per 100

## DUTCH IRIS

A bulbous Iris which blooms just after the Tulips. Distinctive and brilliant blooms resemble Orchids, and have excellent keeping qualities when cut. About 28 in. Slightly smaller than English Iris.

	12	100
Imperator. Rich dark blue	..\$1.15	\$8.00
Lemon Queen. Lovely yellow	1.15	8.00
Mauve Queen. Delicate mauve	1.15	8.00
Wedgewood. Light blue	... 1.15	8.00
Mixed Colors	..... 1.00	7.00



# Blooming Bulbs

## with Lively Beauty



### LEUCOJUM AESTIVUM (Giant Snowflake)

About 10 in. Nodding flowers of white, tipped green. Plant in clumps 4 inches deep.

6 for \$1.00    \$1.95 per doz.

### HARDY ANEMONE BLANDA

3 in. Early spring blooming flowers of violet-blue, carried above fern-like foliage. Hardy, wonderful for rock gardens or naturalizing under trees. Plant in clumps for best effect, 3 inches deep and 4 inches apart.

\$1.25 per doz.    25 for \$2.35

### SCILLA SIBIRICA

4 in. Dainty little blue flowers, invaluable for edging borders or massed in flower beds. Hardy.

85c per doz.    \$6.50 per 100

### CHIONODOXA (Glory of the Snow)

Lovely flowers of deep blue with white centers. Height 7 in. Plant close together for best effect.

50c per doz.    \$3.50 per 100

### FRITILLARIA MELEAGRIS

10 in. Spring-flowering, bearing bell-shaped flowers of various colors: yellow, white, black, purple, striped and splashed. They require a dry situation.

95c per doz.    \$7.00 per 100



## Spring Blooming DUTCH CROCUS

White    Purple    Yellow    Striped

Select Your Colors:

60c per doz.    \$4.00 per 100

Mixed Crocus: 50 for \$2.00; \$3.75 per 100.

### IXIOLIRION PALLASI

Hardy, spring-flowering flowers of deep blue or violet; popularly called "Siberian Bluebell." 95c per doz.; \$7.00 per 100.

### SCILLA CAMPANULATA

Graceful new Scillas, ideal for cut flowers, with long stems. Perfect for naturalizing in sun or shade. Blooms with the late Tulips.

Select Your Colors: Blue    Rose-Pink    White    Mixed

85c per doz.    \$6.50 per 100

Scilla Campanulata







## IRIS SHILKA

(Vesper Iris)

Summer blooming, with graceful filigree of 100 to 200 jewel-like flowers, truly a mammoth bouquet. Delicately colored blossoms, resembling a multitude of butterflies at rest, include such hues as translucent lavender with markings of mahogany, lemon, copper and orange-brown. Be the first in your locality to grow this unique Iris.

**\$1.95 per 5**

**\$3.50 per 10**



## Money Saving Garden Iris Offer

A spectacular offering of top-value Iris, many of the latest hybrids, but limited space prevents separate listings. We will send you an assortment of different colors—guaranteed to be worth twice what we charge on this special offer! Included are clear blues, pure whites, new pinks, warm browns, and many other spectacular colors and combinations of colors.

**5 plants (all different) \$1.90; 10 plants (all different) \$3.50.  
Special Mixture: 25 plants for \$7.50.**

Wonder Bulb,  
Waterlily



## Gorgeous COLCHICUMS

*Blooms Indoors  
Without Soil,  
Without Water  
Without Care*

Place on mantel, window ledge or table, and with no further attention, you will be rewarded with exquisitely lovely blooms. Unusual for gifts or prizes. After blooming, plant the bulbs outdoors in the fall.





## DWARF IRIS

These beautiful little Iris do not grow over 4 inches high, and bloom in April and May. They are fine for borders or rock garden plantings. Mixed colors only.

**\$2.60 per Doz. \$19.00 per 100**



Wonder  
Bulb,  
Autumn  
Queen

## Mysterious Beauties RESURRECTION LILY

(*Lycoris Squamigera*)

Produces attractive green foliage which grows from early spring until July, when it ripens and disappears. About a month later, as if by magic, the flower stalk springs from the ground to a height of 2 to 3 feet, developing an umbel of large, Lily-shaped flowers, 8 to 12 in number, of delicate lilac-pink. The bulb is perfectly hardy. In planting, cover crown with about 4 inches of soil.

**Each 75¢ 3 for \$2.00 \$6.75 per Doz.**

Resurrection Lily



### Sensational Wonder Bulbs

**AUTUMN QUEEN.** Dark lilac.  
50c each    \$1.35 per 3  
\$5.00 per doz.

**LILAC WONDER.** Clear mauve.  
50c each    \$1.35 per 3  
\$5.00 per doz.

**VIOLET QUEEN.** Lilac-violet.  
50c each    \$1.35 per 3  
\$5.00 per doz.

**AUTUMNALE MINOR**  
Smaller flowers than above. Lavender.  
\$1.00 per 3    6 for \$1.75

**← WATERLILY**  
Large, double, lilac flowers. Scarce!  
\$1.35 each    3 for \$3.75





### **MRS. R. O. BACKHOUSE**

(Long-cupped.) Ivory-white, pink trumpet.

75c per 3 \$2.50 per doz.

Gen. MacArthur



# *Nelis Choice* **NARCISSUS**

### **BEERSHEBA**

Pure white trumpet, top rated.

3 for 95c \$3.00 per doz.

### **CHEERFULNESS**

(Double Poetaz). Called "Gardenia Daffodil"; creamy white.

3 for 55c \$1.65 per doz.

### **DICK WELLBAND**

White with a brilliant flame-orange cup.

3 for 70c \$2.30 per doz.

### **GEN. MacARTHUR**

Largest and finest of all yellow trumpets.

3 for \$1.00 \$3.25 per doz.

### **GERANIUM**

(Poetaz). Bunch-flowering white, red centers.

3 for 60c \$2.00 per doz.

### **GRETA GARBO**

Long cup of flaring orange, very large yellow perianth.

3 for 85c \$2.75 per doz.

### **LUNA**

(Jonquil). Fragrant multi-flowering lemon-yellow.

3 for 60c \$2.00 per doz.

### **KING ALFRED**

All golden yellow trumpet.

3 for 65c \$2.15 per doz.

### **MRS. WM. COPELAND**

Double, white and cream.

3 for 75c \$2.50 per doz.

### **PAPILLON BLANCHE**

(Short-cupped). Scarce white with cup white, tipped yellow.

3 for 65c \$2.25 per doz.

### **SMILING QUEEN**

Short cup, magnificent variety with ruffled orange to yellow cup.

3 for 65c;  
\$2.25 per doz.

### **TRIANDRUS TRESEMBLE**

Large, multi-flowering white.

3 for 90c;  
\$3.00 per doz.

### **YELLOW CHEERFULNESS**

(Double Poetaz.) Golden yellow cluster-flowering double.

3 for 65c;  
\$2.15 per doz.





### **INSULINDE**

(Double). Cream-yellow and red.  
3 for 85c; \$2.75 per doz.



### **GOLDEN CASTLE**

(Double Trumpet). New type, golden yellow. New low price too! 3 for \$1.35; \$4.50 per doz.



### **IMPERATOR**

(Trumpet)

Fine creamy white.

**3 for \$1.20**

**12 for \$3.50**

Catalog space is limited, but we will be glad to send upon request a copy of our field Check Sheet of hundreds of varieties of Tulips, with brief descriptions, and no pictures.

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The Largest,  
Earliest, Most  
Glamorous Tulip!

## Red Emperor

For an early blaze of color in your garden, the earliest of all. A giant red, now known to practically all Tulip lovers.

3 for 60c

12 for \$1.85

\$14.00 per 100

## BLACK GIRL

The nearest to black in a Tulip. Perfectly lovely planted with clear yellow or pure white Tulips for contrast.

3 for 60c      12 for \$1.95

\$15.00 per 100

Black  
Girl

